

WELCOME TO
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH

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January 3, 2016

SUNDAY SCHOOL – 9:30 A.M.

Christian Community Comes Alive – Adult Upstairs

Colossians – Adult Kitchen

Fruits of the Spirit – Youth

Elementary Class (Ages 2 to Grade 6) – Basement

MORNING WORSHIP – 10:30 A.M.

"Advent 2015"

Worship Leader: Floyd Lehman

Song Leader: Joy Cotchen

Scripture Reader: Stephen Cotchen

"Freedom Bound: the Path of Inclusion"

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Praising

Congregational Singing

Hearing God's Word

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12

Offering

Children's Story: Sharon Shetler

Scripture: Ephesians 3:1-12

Sermon: Bob Brown

Responding to God's Word

Song of Response

Lighting of Epiphany Candle by Neil & Ellen Lehman

Joys & Concerns (God of Love; Hear our Prayer)

Sending

Sending Song

Blessing

Greeters for January: The Barrett-Ross Family

Bulletin Editor for January: Ellen Lehman – 288-1691

Front Table Arrangement for January: The Barrett-Ross Family

Church Sign for January: Lauren & Elijah Brown

Sharing & Caring Items for January: Toilet paper, bar soap, flour

Offering Holders for January: The Barrett-Ross Family

Offering: 12/27/15 – \$1,122.00 = Regular

*******COMING EVENTS*******

Wed., Jan. 6, 5:00–7:00 p.m. – Soup Night

Wed., Jan. 14, 7:00 p.m. – Council Meeting

Wed. Jan. 20, 6:30 p.m. – Cemetery Committee Meeting

Thurs., Jan. 21, 2:30 p.m. – Worship Committee Meeting

Sat. & Sun., April 23 & 24, 2016 – Church Retreat at Laurelville

*******NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS*******

Happy Birthday: Wish the following a Happy Birthday today or by sending them a card this week: TODAY, Jan. 3 – Cathy Miller; Tues., Jan. 5 – Holly Hartzler; Wed., Jan. 6 – Ethan Cotchen; Fri., Jan. 8 – Terrie Wyar

Please sign up to be a greeter, update the church sign, arrange the front table or collect the offering for a month in **2016**. Please consider signing up to serve the church this way.

If you are interested in being a contact for **Women's Ministries** at Stahl Mennonite, please let Bob Brown know.

Nefarious: Merchant of Souls, is a **hard-hitting documentary** that exposes the disturbing trends in modern human trafficking and sex slavery. In spite of our thoughts that human slavery ended on the battlegrounds of the Civil War, over 27 million people throughout the world (including the United States) remain enslaved, making human trafficking the battlefield of the century. Karla Gibson will be here to present the film and answer questions.

*******PRAYER REQUESTS*******

Noah Cotchen	Helen Kresnicky	Justin Klaus
Heather Cotchen	Mick Jordan	Dave Miller
Isaiah Kimmel	Evan Yoder	Megan Ott
Chuck Aurandt	Taylor Sunday	Ronald Boast
Wendy Melikant	Owen Sheridan	Robb Goe
John Bender	Braxton Clark	Catherine Miller
Lynnwood Moyer	Marilyn Reott	Jack Jordan
Audrey Bettis	Sanford Alwine	Penny Hoover
Jim Harkcom	Faith Devin-Abdelmagid	
Allegheny Mennonite Conference		Andrew Lehman
Tom Croyle		

Praise God for the Toba/Qom radio station that was inaugurated last month in the Argentine Chaco. Pray that the Christian programming will touch many lives through this ministry that is facilitated by Alfonsina and José Oyanguren, who are serving with **Mennonite Mission Network**.